

ABSTRACT

A method and associated apparatus are provided for improving
5 the performance of a high speed data bus, such as a memory bus, using
selectively activated receiver and driver pairs. Each receiver and driver pair
may be selectively activated to permit data communication on a segment of
the high speed data bus coupled to the activated receiver and driver pair.
Each receiver and driver pair may also be deactivated, thereby
10 disconnecting at least a respective segment of the high speed data bus, so
that communicating system components may be connected in a
substantially stubless environment.

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